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GROUP ART UNIT 3653**

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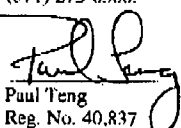
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Commissioner for Patents  
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116  
IN RESPONSE TO FEBRUARY 23, 2009 FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

Sir:

This Amendment is submitted in response to the final Office Action dated February 23, 2009, in connection with the above-identified application.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the **Listing of Claims** beginning on page 2.

**Remarks** begin on page 9 of this paper.